

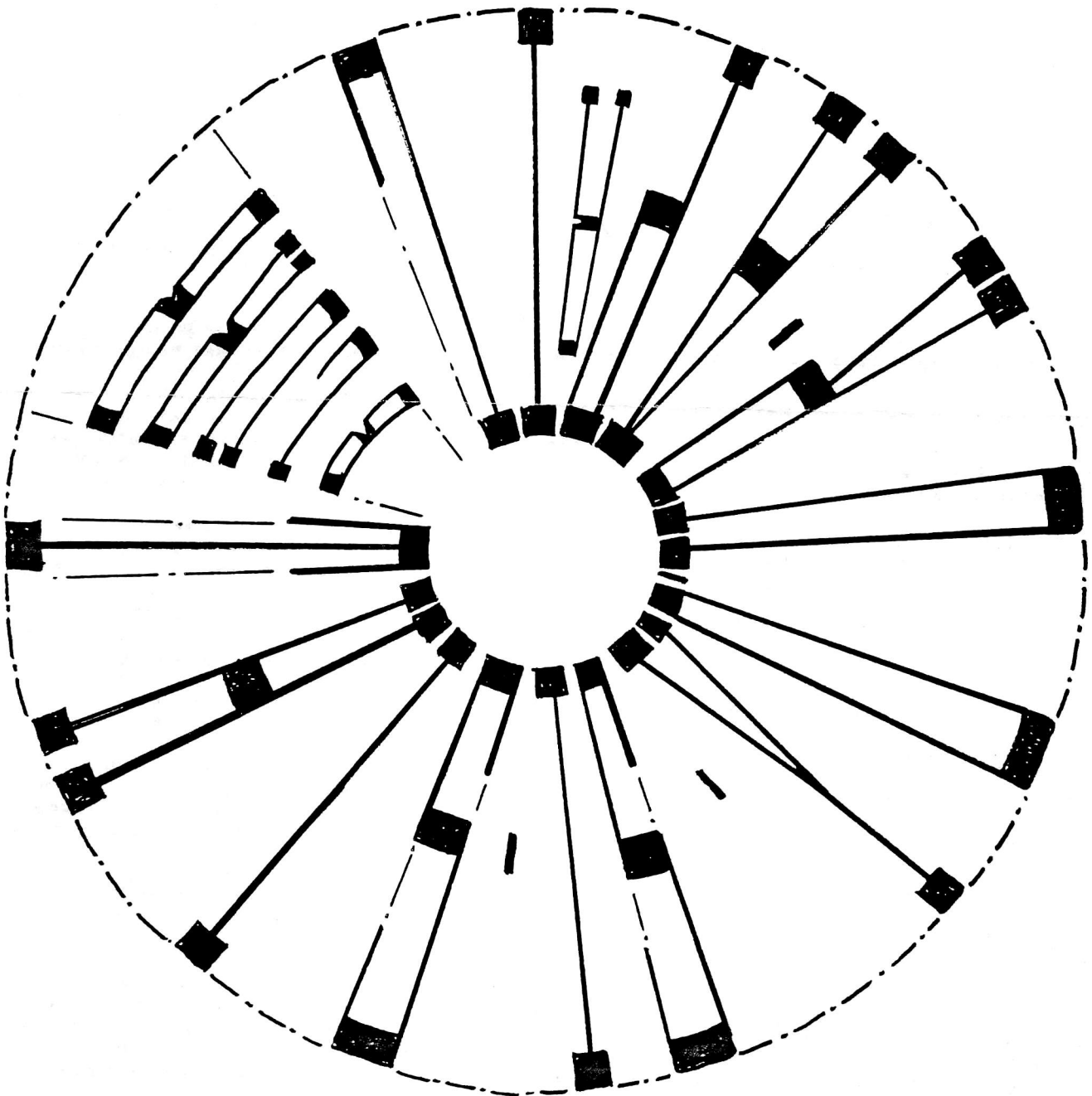
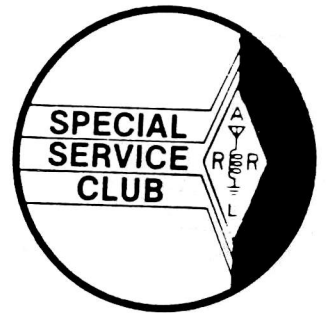


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Information Nats - 9:30 am, 147.63/.03 MHz. FM;  
10:00 am, 29.0 MHz SSB; 10:00 am, 29.493 MHz  
AM; 10:20 am, 3.993 MHz. SSB; 9:00 AM, 37.0  
MHz. CW. All Visitors Welcome!

The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc., meets on the  
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ALL VISITORS WELCOME ! !

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15th of the month or at the Board of Directors' Meeting, whichever is earlier.



APRIL '85

THE PREZ SEZ zzz

APRIL will be an interesting month for Phil-Mont with the following activities to take place:

April 01 - General Meeting - "Operating Through Oscars 9, 10 & 11."

- VE Tests at the Franklin Institute

" 17 - "STAG (?) NITE" at the Picket Post

" ?? - Penn Relay Marathon ? ?

Then on 04 May is The Jeanes Hospital 5-Miler. I hope that all of these will be well supported by our members.

73,

W3SRU

## Phil-Mont Calendar

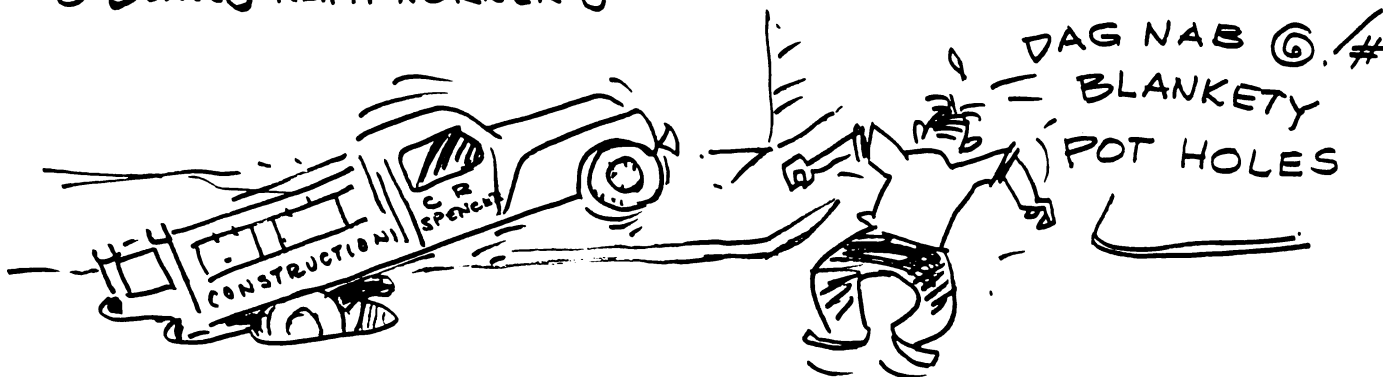
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| SUNDAY                                                                             | MONDAY                                                             | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY                                                               | THURSDAY | FRIDAY           | SATURDAY                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 31 MARCH<br>GREATER<br>BALTIMORE<br>HAMBOREI AND<br>COMPUTERFEST<br>146.07/67 P.52 | 1<br>GENERAL<br>MEETING<br><br>VOLUNTEER LICENSE<br>TESTING BEGINS | 2       | 3                                                                       | 4        | 5<br>Good Friday | 6<br>Passover                           |
| 7<br>2m NCS K3PHC<br>10m NCS W3GIF<br><br>Easter                                   | 8                                                                  | 9       | 10                                                                      | 11       | 12               | 13<br>Thomas<br>Jefferson's<br>Birthday |
| 14<br>2m NCS W3AWG<br>10m NCS W3KAC                                                | 15<br>BLURS DEADLINE                                               | 16      | 17<br>STAG NIGHT<br>(Gulph Mills<br>Expressway<br>Ramps are<br>CLOSED!) | 18       | 19               | 20                                      |
| 21<br>2m NCS W3AA<br>10m NCS KB3CT                                                 | 22                                                                 | 23      | 24<br>Secretary's<br>Day                                                | 25       | 26               | 27<br>U.S. Grant's<br>Birthday          |
| 28<br>2m NCS W3INW<br>10m NCS KB3QE<br>MAY 5<br>2m NCS KB3IV<br>10m NCS W3GIF      | 29<br>MAY 6<br>PACKET RADIO                                        | 30      |                                                                         |          |                  |                                         |

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SPENCER - (BBB) SAYS LIFE GETS TEDIOUS SOMETIME

MINUTES  
February 1985  
DIRECTORS' MEETING

W3SRU opened the meeting, held at the home of KB3IV, at 8:27PM on Feb. 13th. In attendance were W3's 888, GIF, IIM, IIN, IRS, PST, ZPP, N3's DHI, DQG, W83KOH, KOJ, K3's GNM & JR.

There was a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which was passed.

Gil said that we still need a door prize chairperson. After some discussion, it was agreed that we'd stay with a 50/50 for the time being.

Jim reported that the repeater "Blew Up" and would be fixed in a week.

Charlie asked for fill-ins for snow-bird net-controls.

Gill reported that the next special event will be the Penn Relays sometime in April.

He also said that Jake has 12 club members waiting for their V.E. paperwork. Jake spoke to the ARRL who said that it would be late April or May before they get the paperwork ready for their V.E. program.

Jake felt that the quicker way to get the program going would be to go with the W5YI program for now, even though their program only permits Extra class amateurs to do the testing. He asked for guidance from the Board, which promptly (after some discussion) voted to permit Jake to make the final decision since he was closest to the situation.

Jack reported that Stag Night (you don't know how much that hurts me to say that) preparations are under way and that a tear-sheet will be in the March Blurb.

After much discussion, the 1985 budget was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:03PM.

Thanks to Ed and Sharon for the goodies!

W3IIN, Honorable Secretary

MINUTES  
March 1985  
GENERAL MEETING

The 424th meeting of the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club was held on March 4, 1985 at the Franklin Institute. ....

Your Secretary had two choices:

1. Complete the minutes in time for this issue or,
2. Pack our bags for our LONG awaited Thanksgiving vacation in Florida.

To be completed next issue. Still Hon. Secretary, just a little exhausted!  
W3IIN

OLD BUSINESS

THE BLURB  
30 YEARS AGO  
APRIL 1955

New members: W2ZAS, WN3AHP.

Meeting program: The Hunt Co. will talk on crystals.

(Here's one for Woody -ed.) Lyle, W3VSU, says "you can't electrocute a motorman because he isn't a conductor!"

FROM THE PRESIDENT, W3NIP: "If you will take the time to analyze the growth and success of Phil-Mont, you will probably be impressed by the number of factors responsible. Obviously, the national growth of mobile operation has had its influence, with hams taking to the road to avoid TVI instead of buttoning-up their harmonics.

"Before multi-band commercially built rigs were available, it was apparent that ten meters was the easiest band to 'get on' in the car. The antenna was reasonable, the converters or receivers were not hard to come by, and the peculiar propagation properties of 'ten' made this band the most practical for the power inputs that can be utilized in the car.

"It wasn't until the band 'closed', however, a few years back, that many hams thought they had chosen the wrong band. Many ambitious ones looked to the lower QRM frequencies, and those who remained had to be content with an occasional contact. The band 'closing' was extremely fortunate, as many of us who wouldn't talk to a 'local' when the band was 'open' had the chance to get acquainted with the 'guy' across town, and found that he wasn't such a bad 'Joe'. After several contacts with him we began good friendships and sought him out - scheduling him - even met him on his frequency if we could.

"Then came the realization that a common frequency could make the going easier and the presence of 7373.3kc crystals in ample quantities in the local surplus market cinched the problem.

"Phil-Mont's growth, in large measure, is due to the congregation of hams on this frequency. We procured and distributed crystals, set up monitors, started nets, and our membership grew to the point where we outgrew our original quarters and are bursting the seams of our present one (Cassidy School -ed.).

"Limiting our membership to 100 active members became necessary to avoid the problem of getting too big! Even the 29493kc frequency we selected got over crowded and nets were formed to create order. Channel 2 (29624kc) came into being - now a third, fourth and fifth frequency!

"Our now famous 3 'pip' breaking procedure also helped. Channel 1 is now truly an 'inter-com' frequency which is probably unique in hamdom. ..."

(An interesting history of Phil-Mont's evolution -ed.)  
Excerpted by W3IIM

\*\*\*\* UPDATE \*\*\*\*

formation Session for details.

April 17, Stag Night! At the Picket Post.  
(Please see elsewhere in this issue for details.)

April 1, General Meeting program:

OPERATING THROUGH OSCAR SATELLITES 9, 10 AND 11  
An audio-visual presentation by Phil-Mont member Doug Crompton, WA3DSP.

PHIL-MONT'S FIRST VOLUNTEER EXAMINATION SESSION - AT THE INSTITUTE - 18:30 TO 21:30  
Listen to the Thursday night Bulletin & In-

\*\*\* REMINDER \*\*\*

All Expressway exits at Gulph Mills are  
CLOSED!

MAY 8, General Meeting program:

PACKET RADIO Including a LIVE demonstration presented by Tom Stewart, K3TS.

Details for PMRC VE Testing session scheduled for April 1, 1985 starting at 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM

1. Testing Fee \$4.00- Make check or Money order out to " W5YI-VEC " (CASH PREFERRED)
  2. Novice through Extra Class being administered with NO PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED.
  3. Session will begin Promptly at 6:30 PM- we need time so Please dont be late
  4. Novice Exam administered FREE
  5. You must bring a Photo Copy of your current license or any other Code Credit certificates you have earned from other examinations.
  6. Bring Proper ID - the integrity of our sessions will be of the highest caliber.
  7. Examinations will be held tentatively in the Cafeteria Room on the Lower level.
  8. All amateurs taking exams are requested to call AK2I at least two days Prior to the testing session so we can estimate the number of forms needed. Calls can be on the repeater or 609-428-5924 after 6:30 PM. I will not need to know the testing elements you are requesting.
  9. Recommended reading-"The Radio Amateur License Manual " available from the ARRL, 225 Main St. Newington, CT 06111 for \$4.00 Plus \$1.00 Postage and handling
  - 10 No one Permitted to leave the room once the Testing Session is in Progress.
- GL de AK2I VE #1516

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SALE  
ON  
HAM OPERATOR  
LICENSE  
SPECIAL OF  
THE WEEK  
by  
JAKE-AK2I  
DIRECTOR

ZEARS  
AND ZOEBUCK



ANOTHER  
NEW SIDELINE?

## OLD BUSINESS

THE BLURB  
15 YEARS AGO  
APRIL 1970

Next meeting program: Navy MARS with an all-star cast.

At the last meeting a vote was taken on changing the bylaws in order to relegate those that do not attend three meetings in one year to the status of associate members. Motion was defeated unanimously.

New member application: WA3LLK, Robert Moore.

On Wednesday, May 6, 1970, the hospitals of the Delaware Valley will have an emergency drill in which there will be limited communication needed. W3PST will keep us informed if our services are desired.

Docket No. 88803 from the FCC concerns a proposed rulemaking to restrict repeaters to 50mc and above. QQH will have more info at the next meeting.  
Excerpted by W3IIM

from the rear seat - - -

In an effort to reduce our printing costs, your editors reduced the size of the printing. So, it should follow that "costs" will be reduced. Right? Right! We've heard no complaints about the size of the printing of the last issue. It kinda reminds me of the story about a man and his horse. He kept reducing the amount of his feed until pretty soon it didn't cost him anything to feed the animal. In the meantime, the horse died, but that is beside the point. WE DO NOT INTEND TO KILL THE BLURB! But, we will keep trying to reduce our, your costs. Next month we have something new, that is, new for us, in mind. Watch for it, them, whatever.

I have also heard that there will be no Philadelphia PennRelay Marathon this year. We're not sure how true this is, at this writing, but we have on the docket another race for which we have been asked to assist, The Jeanes Hospital Five-Miler, to be held in the Burholme area of Philadelphia. It is a tortuous, hilly run, and the participants could easily miss a turn. It looks as if we/they will need about six points to be covered. They expect it to last about two hours plus, starting at nine o'clock Saturday morning, 04 May 85. More details as we get them, listen for them on .63/.03.

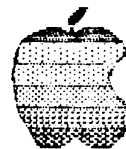
If we work it right, the tear-off on the next page should include your address on the reverse side -- trying to save you a little work -- so, just tear off the bottom portion, make your choice(s), INCLUDE your check or money order, THEN mail it off to M/m J/J HARING w3iim/in, and you know the address. Then, we'll see there! Don't forget to check on exits. At this writing, I understand there is one open while going west on the xprsway, BUT, don't count on it. de w3pst.

### FROM THE "NORTHERN REPORTER"

Well now every once in while we see a reporting about some character in the Blurb about what's happening in the North. So out of the wilderness some sensitive notes were tuned in it appears this fine rag needs a shot in the arm and the membership needs a good whip in the rear to get underway - it works for the ole hoss in the back yard anyway. Seems like Jack & Jinney are doing more then their share to keep this rag a going - and some of those old reminiscences are fun to the old cats but what about the new cats in the club. Just can't get over the absolutely greatest work Sam has been doing all these years with a format that can't be beaten anyplace in this here USA for a non professional blurb. When he doesn't get the theme for the month he comes thru with the best artistic stuff that was ever drawn.\*\*\* Bob in the deep south EW30ec - wats his new call - down in Fla has been really missed for the last year - hope his northern commute will work this year - health in the family fouled up the works - we hope you can make it this summer - Bob.\*\*\* We hear that some guy in Narberth sold his boat last year n is chewing his heart out to get one that will go "outside" fer fishing - he is in a dream world contemplating wat it will be. \*\*\* Another guy - the cross Russia traveler laid out big bucks for a 26 foot sail boat last fall - sleep 6 - outboard motor - real spiffy - learning how to run aground with a 4 foot draft - Ole NR is an expert having run aground a 45 footer and a 63 footer - and if you don't (pronounced same as oink here on the farm) think a 63 footer is fun to get off the bar - but really a dinghy a long head line and an anchor out at the 90 gets 'em off real fine except when the wx is bad bad - then you sweat bad bad. This 26 foot guy is looking fer crew to move the boat from Tom's River to Ocean City in the next few weeks - he has no less than 53 volunteers to help \*\*\* Sure great to see CRSIII (wats his call) the Spur Buster grab the bull by the horns n track down that baddy on the repeater. \*\*\* Horotario - wat is that! Read ur last Blurb - Hora is "Hour" in Ernies best Italian - up here on the farm spelling is tough when we can't to a dictionary fast enuf - while piling buffalo chips up in the back pasture - anyhoo - rotor - we all know wat that is. Torio is Latin for something - Horatio is some character that went astray long ago - If you want to know what a Oratorio is - never heard of it - ask Jinny the coloratur suppranno, she will give you the word.\*\*\* The best way to get news in this here rag is to get in writing and call Ernle a stinker - then watch the fur fly. Yars ago wee found some sensitive toes and boy the fur used to fly - the gals had to read this column just to protect themselves.\*\*\* Don't know wat we would do without Jack keeping the Blurb pot boiling. The club needs a agitator to get the news hopping again - so what are guys n dolls going to do about it.\*\*\* Everyone used to hollar "I can't type" - That's a long lost crutch with all the Computers in the club - This is written on NR's Mod 3 - funny thing the spelling is no better then it was 30 years ago - now that's improvement for you. In fact there is no need to type the copy more than once - all you do is - pipe it over the Modem to the printer and print no matter how far away the two correspondents - all automatically - who has a Modem - n using it? Larry has a computer - call him a klunker - and see if his Word Processor will start up. Carl has one - he had better get wid it - Bob has one - Jinny has one and it runs - Howard has one - kick him hard n say Kitty is a good nick - watch the fur fly. Without Don's this rag would not exist - how about Don - collecting the names (Elaine has one) call her names - of all the group who has a Computer WP then you go to work on them n in self defense all these WP's will be making copy for Ole Ed n company to hang together - Think it will work? Anyway we have to get out to the barn n clean stalls n recover those horse chips that keep your garden in top shape n it's that time of the year. By the way NR was down to Fla in Jan. n stopped to see Del Gerson - the greatest gal that ever was and a champ bridge player - in good health after a minor set back - enjoying life and as witty as interesting as she was 30 years ago when Bill W3CUB and group played bridge. Del still has Bill's receiver n listens every day at 4:30 to Freddy n the gang so keeps up on all the local chatter. Tell Del, Freddy that the ole NR really enjoyed the visit and the Baby Beef Ribs dinner in Pompano Beach can't be topped anyplace. Kitty is a stinker. Elaine couldn't hit a barn door with her golf club from 3 feet away. Al is a flat head. We just will have to quit being so snooty n get the news flowing again - n see wat happens. de NR



# .....BYTES FROM THE APPLE.....



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

02-CHARLES A. ANDREWS - W3IRS  
-PEG SCHMILEWSKE (XYL K3KUD)  
04-L. "MIKE" MIGLIACCIO - N3ADI  
05-MICHAEL S. FOX - WB3HTE  
06-ALBERTA CLARK (XYL KB3QE)  
-EDWIN N. FAYE - W3RCE  
08-JACKIE CHEDEVILLE (XYL W3GQD)  
-STELLA TINAGLIA (XYL W3AWH)  
11-WAYNE C. ZIEGLER - WB2SZF  
15-ROBERT J. DiPASQUALE - WB3KAB  
16-RAYMOND C. GARVIN -W3GRY  
17-NED SCHLICHTING - N2EMN  
19-HAROLD P. GRACE - W3HFY  
-LILLIE PORT (XYL W3HYU)  
22-RUSSELL E. MILLER - K3NYN  
23-EMMA SHAW (XYL W3ADV)  
-VICKIE MARRUCHELLA (XYL WB3EKK)  
25-JANET REICHERT (XYL KF4LM)  
27-BUNNY DiPASQUALE (XYL WB3KAB)  
-CARL H. VOLD - W3SGR  
28-BESS ROWLAND (XYL W3JIL)  
29-ALICE FARIES (XYL W3AOA)

\*\*\*\*\*HAPPY BIRTHDAY\*\*\*\*\*

## RENEW NOW

K3TYB - GET YOUR NEW 10 YEAR TICKET NOW.

## HELP PHIL-MONT

ARE YOU GOING TO JOIN ARRL OR RENEW YOUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP? HELP PHIL-MONT BY JOINING OR RENEWING THROUGH THE CLUB...CONTACT KB3IV FOR THE REQUIRED DETAILS.

...DE WB3KOJ

-----TEAR HERE-----

Yes, I'll be there, and I've enclosed my payment for the following selections:

| <u>ME</u> | <u>MY SPOUSE</u> | <u>Price complete</u>                 |
|-----------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| —         | —                | <u>BAKED STUFFED FLOUNDER</u> \$15.25 |
| —         | —                | <u>SHRIMP SCAMPI</u> \$14.95          |
| —         | —                | <u>TENDERLOIN BORDELAISE</u> \$13.95  |
| —         | —                | <u>VEAL PARM. with SPAG.</u> \$13.75  |

## "STAG NIGHT"

Wednesday, April 17

Phil-Mont's annual mid-month dinner meeting will again be held at the PICKET POST, Montgomery Avenue and Old Gulph Road, Gulph Mills.

This year you will have a choice of entrees which will include:

Soup, Salad, Potato, Vegetables Family Style, Beverage and Dessert.

6:00 PM: Cash Bar  
6:45 PM: Dinner  
8:00 PM: Meeting

All members AND their spouses are invited to attend. All reservations, with full payment, must be received NO LATER THAN April 15th. NO PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR!

\*\*\* REMINDER \*\*\*

All Expressway exits at Gulph Mills are CLOSED!

I've checked-off my selections and enclosed a check to PMRC for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CALL: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Announcement

Phil-mont's First Volunteer  
Examination Session Will Be  
Held from 18:30 to 21:30

April 1, 1985

(No Foolin')

Please see details inside!